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Sri G. GOVINDAN : கனம் சபாநாயகர் அவர்களே, புதிதாக ராஜ்யங்கள் அமைந்த பிறகு தமிழ் நாட்டில் மற்ற பாஷை பேசும் அதிகாரிகளை வைத்துக்கொண்டு, தமிழ் எழுதப் படிக்கத் தெரியாத அதிகாரிகளை வைத்துக்கொண்டு, மக்களுக்கு எப்படி நன்மை செய்யமுடியும்? ஆகவே அவர்களை வற்புறுத்தியாவது அந்த அந்த ராஜ்யங்களுக்கு அனுப்ப முடியுமா என்று கேட்கிறேன்?

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM : இங்கே கேட்கப்பட்டிருக்கும் கேள்விக்கும் ஸ்ரீ கோவிந்தனுடைய உப கேள்விக்கும் சம்பந்தமில்லை.

Sri M. NARAYANA KURUP : The Hon. Leader is entirely side-tracking the issue by saying that he does not want to interfere with the affairs of another State Government. Now, we are having the reorganization of the States and talks about the transfer of personnel are going on between the Heads of the departments of this Government and the Travancore-Cochin Government. Now at least, when such questions have cropped up, has this Government thought it fit or its duty to consult and ascertain from the Travancore-Cochin Government whether the allegations were true? It is not a question of interference with the internal affairs of another State.

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM : As far as the allocation of personnel is concerned, we are governed by the provisions of the States Reorganization Bill which will be becoming law very soon and according to those provisions, allocations will have to be made. That is only a process of allocations and during the allocation, the officers continue to be officers of the State. After the reorganization comes into effect, they cease to be officers of this State. Therefore, they will have to be purely governed by the provisions of the law which would be governing the allocation and which would be governing the reorganization of State. I have absolutely no doubt in the *bona fides* of the various State Governments and also in the strength of the Union Government to protect the rights of officers who would be allocated from one State to another.

Constitution of partition committee in connexion with States Reorganization

* 103 *Q.*—Sri K. MADHAVAN NAMBIAR (on behalf of Sri V. R. Krishna Ayyar) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have formed any partition Committee in connexion with the reorganization of the State; and

(*b*) if so, whether non-officials have been appointed on that Committee and who they are?

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM : (*a*) Yes, Sir.

(*b*) No, Sir.

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SRI K. P. GOPALAN: Sir, when the Andhra State was formed, there was a Partition Committee and in that Partition Committee non-officials were taken. May I know why Government did not show the same attitude towards Malabar and South Kanara?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM: That was a special reorganization which has nothing to do with the general recommendations of the States Reorganization Commission and the reorganization in pursuance of that. We have adopted the same pattern as other States have adopted. We alone cannot be adopting an unusual procedure.

DR. K. B. MENON: While replying to the debate, the Hon. Finance Minister mentioned certain difficulties in the formation of a Partition Council. Will the Minister kindly explain at least in a general way what the difficulties are?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM: The association of non-officials, as a matter of fact, the experience we had in the Andhra partition, has made us hesitate before forming a non-official Committee. For example, full information, which may not be ordinarily available to other hon. Members and the general public, will have to be made available to the hon. Members forming the Partition Council. That has led to serious difficulties even during the Andhra Partition. So, after that experience, we thought it better not to form these non-official Committees and tell them we cannot give this information because this is confidential, etc. That will make things worse. Therefore, it is better to function in an informal way rather than have a formal Partition Council consisting of non-officials.

SRI C. H. KANARAN: In view of the fact that elected representatives do not rule the Travancore-Cochin State and that consultation with that Government would mean that people are not being taken into confidence, is it not necessary for the Kerala State people to have non-official representatives from this Assembly as well as the dissolved Assembly of Travancore-Cochin in the Partition Committee along with the Members of this Government?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM: As for the various actions taken by this Government, we are responsible to this Legislature and to the extent the hon. Members from Malabar also have a control over the various actions of the Government here. As far as the Travancore-Cochin is concerned, I am not here to make any suggestions with regard to the actions to be taken on that side.

SRI K. P. GOPALAN: Sir, I am not questioning the *bona fides* of the Government or the good intentions of the Hon. the Finance Minister. But, are the Government aware that there is the general feeling in Malabar and I am sure in South Kanara also that the

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people have got a right to be represented in the Partition Committee? In view of this fact, will the Government consider the desirability of respecting the democratic opinion prevailing in those parts?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : I have already explained the position of the Government as being responsible to this Legislature in which members from Malabar and South Kanara are functioning. To that extent, they have got effective control over the Government. If there is any weakness, it should be a weakness of the Constitution. That is all. Apart from that, I have explained the difficulty in having a formal non-official Committee. Subject to that, I am prepared to have informal discussion with the members coming from those places.

SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP : Sir, many of the departments of Government have been functioning on the advice of Committees set up without divulging official secrets or statistics to them. Why not the Government set up an advisory committee to consult them at least on main principles and in a very broad way?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : Yes, Sir. That has led to all difficulties. The non-official Partition Committees cannot tender proper advice unless all the facts are made known to them and particularly in matters relating to partition all the facts will have to be made known. Certain difficulties arise when the Government claim that particular matters are confidential and therefore they cannot be disclosed. It creates greater suspicion rather than a sense of understanding and goodwill. I am sure, Sir, informal consultations will yield better results and bring about better understanding.

SRI K. VINAYAKAM : Is it not a fact, Sir, that in the past when Partition Councils were popular that mostly these non-officials gave expression to the views and news which they got from the Partition Council and this created a very difficult situation for the Government? They gave even Press statements creating a lot of trouble. Is it that kind of difficulty that prevents the Madras Government to have non-officials on the Partition Council?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : I do not think it is necessary for me to answer this leading question.

9-40 a.m.

SRI S. S. KOLKEBAIL : Arising out of the reply of the Hon. the Minister that non-official members cannot be included in the Partition Committee, may I ask whether it is the view of the Government that we have to go away after partition with whatever they give us?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : They will ultimately find that they have been given more than they are entitled to.

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Sri R. KRISHNAN : മലബാറിനെ പ്രതിനിധീകരിച്ചുകൊണ്ട് ക്യാബിനെററിൽ ഒരു മന്ത്രിയില്ലാത്ത സ്ഥിതിക്ക് മലബാറിന് പ്രാതിനിധ്യം നൽകാൻവേണ്ടിയെങ്കിലും ഒരു അനൌദ്യോഗിക കമ്മിററി രൂപീകരിക്കാൻ ഗവർമ്മെൻറ് തയ്യാറാകുമോ ?

Mr. SPEAKER : He asks whether, in view of the fact that there is no Malayalee Minister in the Cabinet, the Government will consider the desirability of constituting a non-official Partition Committee.

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM : I do not think that makes any difference at all.

Sri T. ANANTA PAI : Now that the Government have constituted a Partition Committee, may I know who represents South Kanara and Malabar in that Committee?

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM : There is no question of anybody representing any particular area. Representatives of the State form the Committee and not persons representing any particular area. If the hon. Member is interested in knowing the personnel of the Committee, that is no secret and I can give the names of members.

(1) Sri W. R. S. Satthianathan, Chief Secretary to Government,

(2) Sri S. Venkateswaran, Member, Board of Revenue, and

(3) Sri T. A. Varghese, Finance Secretary, representing the official side; and

(1) The Chief Minister,

(2) The Minister for Agriculture, and

(3) The Minister for Finance, representing the Cabinet.

*104 *Q.*—Sri K. MADHAVAN NAMBIAR (on behalf of Sri V. R. Krishna Ayyar) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state the number of officers of the I.A.S. and I.P.S. the Government propose to allot to the Kerala and Mysore States in the event of partition?

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM : The proposals regarding the allocation of officers of the I.A.S. and I.P.S. to the new States of Kerala and Mysore have not been finalised.

Treatment for leprosy in South Arcot district in private institutions

*105 *Q.*—Sri K. ARANGANATHAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state why the Government have entrusted the work of giving treatment to leprosy to private institutions in the South Arcot district?

The Hon. Sri A. B. SHETTY : The Government have not entrusted the work to private institutions.